

MINUTES

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

MARCH 26, 2008

A regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Pasquale Nuzzolillo. Also present were Commissioners Peter Criscuolo, Sam Muzio, Michael Zuccarelli, Daniel Fleming, Chief Vincent Landisio and Deputy Chief Frank Gersz, members of the department and public.

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked for a motion for approval of the minutes of the regular Board of Fire Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to approve the minutes of February 27, 2008. Commissioner Muzio seconded the motion.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Muzio-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

The Chief asked the commission if they could move the agenda ahead to the new business and swear in the three (3) volunteers. The commission agreed.

Chairman Nuzzolillo read the oath to the three (3) volunteers: Christian Mastrianni and Mark DiNicola both of Northeast Company # 4 and Kevin Lord of West Ridge Company # 3. He thanked them for educating themselves and for the commitment to the Town of North Haven. He also thanked the families.

The Chief's report then was given. He reported that we continue to stay busy and the EMS calls are in the 72% range.

Chief Landisio discussed the training in the department. He spoke of ventilation training that was conducted by instructors from Middlesex County Fire School on March 15, 2008. Career firefighters have all had hands on training at a site on Washington Avenue owned by Ken Ginsburg. Also, Firematic conducted vehicle extrication training at Headquarters. Lastly, the Deputy Chief has been reviewing plans from Eclipse Development on Universal Drive which recently received approval.

Chief then asked that the injury and sick leave be discussed in Executive Session. The commission agreed.

Chairman Nuzzolillo thanked Mr. Ginsberg for allowing training to be conducted at the homes located on Washington Avenue which will help benefit the Town of North Haven residents.

Chief Landisio spoke of correspondence in the department. A thank you letter along with a donation was received from a Town of North Haven resident.

Chief Landisio spoke of unfinished business for the department. The new rescue vehicle was placed into service with some minor problems that have

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been corrected. The department has applied for a Basic Ambulance Certificate with the State of Connecticut. The department successfully received the regional grant for equipment through the Fire Act Grant. Firefighter Januszewski will start the Paramedic Program in Bridgeport starting March 31, 2008. He then spoke of the budget meeting and outcome for the department. The commission then had a lengthy discussion on the paramedic program and the budget impact. Chief then discussed Firehouse Software program being ready for April.

Chairman Nuzzolillo on behalf of the commission then thanked David Kelsen of UNH, for a job well done in the department during his internship.

Chief then concluded unfinished business with discussion on Truss Construction and the poster contest luncheon which will take place on the following day. Commissioner Zuccarelli then added some information on Truss Construction.

Chief Landisio then spoke of new business in the department. The new uniform vendor has been approved – Mag & Son. Lastly, the department has applied for two (2) new fire act grants for 2008.

Chief Landisio then spoke of the good of the department. Local 2987 had a fund raising ziti dinner on March 13, 2008. Northeast Company # 4 had an annual plant/bake sale over the Easter weekend. Both events had great results. Also, Local 2987 and Quinnipiac Chamber of Commerce are getting together to organize a Buy-A-Brick program in front of Fire Headquarters. On April 4, 2008 the North Haven/Hamden Fire Departments will be playing against the Hamden Police Department for their annual hockey game at Hamden Ice Rink starting at 6:00 p.m. Lastly, the department offered mutual aid to the North Branford Fire Department on March 9, 2008 for a serious structure fire.

Chairman Nuzzolillo on behalf of the commission expressed their appreciation to Local 2987 and Quinnipiac Chamber of Commerce for their important fund raiser. It will be a wonderful opportunity for the department. Then Local 2987 Union President, Jeff Obier briefly stated the ziti dinner was a huge success and also, when he receives more information on the Buy-A-Brick program he will get it to the commission.

There being no further public business to come before the Board, Chairman Nuzzolillo moved to convene an executive session at 7:00 PM. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Muzio-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Chairman Nuzzolillo moved to reconvene the meeting at 7:22 PM.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Muzio-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

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Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to accept the application of Kevin Lendroth of Montowese Company # 2 to become a volunteer firefighter effective after all preliminary testing has been successfully completed. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Muzio-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to deny the application of Andrew Palmeri as a volunteer company member. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Muzio-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Criscuolo moved for adjournment at 7:25 PM. Commissioner Muzio seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Muzio-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Criscuolo, Secretary

The next Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting is scheduled for April 23, 2008 at the Park & Rec. Center in the Game Room at 6:00 P.M.